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LEGISLATIVE BILL 307

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Committee: Judiciary

- 1 A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Uniform Controlled Substances Act; to
- 2 amend section 28-442, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2022;
- 3 to authorize pharmacies and local public health programs to provide
- 4 hypodermic syringes or needles to prevent the spread of infectious
- 5 disease; and to repeal the original section.
- 6 Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska,

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1 Section 1. Section 28-442, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement,

- 2 2022, is amended to read:
- 3 28-442 (1) It shall be unlawful for any person to deliver, possess
- 4 with intent to deliver, or manufacture with intent to deliver, drug
- 5 paraphernalia, knowing, or under circumstances in which one reasonably
- 6 should know, that it will be used to manufacture, inject, ingest, or
- 7 inhale or otherwise be used to introduce into the human body a controlled
- 8 substance in violation of sections 28-101, 28-431, and 28-439 to 28-444.
- 9 (2) This section shall not apply to:
- 10 <u>(a) Pharmacies,</u> pharmacists, pharmacist interns, pharmacy
- 11 technicians, and pharmacy clerks who sell hypodermic syringes or needles
- 12 for the prevention of the spread of infectious diseases; or -
- 13 (b) The staff or participants of a public or behavioral health
- 14 program, authorized by a local jurisdiction, who distribute hypodermic
- 15 needles for the purpose of prevention of the spread of infectious
- 16 <u>diseases</u>.
- 17 (3) Any person who violates this section shall be guilty of a Class
- 18 II misdemeanor.
- 19 Sec. 2. Original section 28-442, Revised Statutes Cumulative
- 20 Supplement, 2022, is repealed.